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**of:****Filed:** 6/16/2000**For:** A Method for Forwarding Broadcast Packets in a Bridged IP  
Network**Serial Number:** 09/596244**Conf. No.:** 2666**Art Unit:** 2666**Examiner:** Phuc H. Tran**AMENDMENT**Hon. Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action dated February 12, 2004.  
Please amend the above-identified application as specified herein.